



Arden University Graduation Ceremony

Central Hall Westminster, London

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Welcome

Welcome from our Vice-Chancellor,
Professor Carl Lygo

**On behalf of everyone
here at Arden University,
congratulations on
your success.**



It is a great honour to welcome you and your supporters to Central Hall Westminster to celebrate your success today.

This graduation day is the culmination of many hours, days, and years of hard work and determination from you. It takes a very special kind of person to rise to all the challenges and overcome the obstacles of studying at the highest level. You have proved yourself to be worthy of the highest awards available in UK education. This is your success, so please enjoy every moment of today's celebration. Well done! One of our core values at Arden is to support people in reaching their full potential. We're passionate about making a positive difference in people's lives and I hope, as you sit here today, you feel we have made an impact on yours.

And let's not forget your family and friends who have supported you on your journey, some of whom may be here to celebrate with you today.

With a wealth of opportunity ahead of you, I'm confident that your qualification will help you reach your full potential in absolutely anything you want to do. You now join a select group of people who have the honour of becoming an alumnus of Arden University. You can stay connected with us and watch the further progress of the university through our alumni association. If there is anything the team at Arden University can do to help you further, then please do not hesitate to contact us. You will always be part of the Arden University family.

Professor Carl Lygo
Vice-Chancellor

Chair's introduction

Introduction from Professor Ann Tate C.B.E
(Chair of the Board)

You have now joined a growing community of Arden University alumni, a community which I hope you will take great pride in being a part of.



On behalf of the Board of Directors of Arden University I would like to welcome you all – graduands, staff, and guests – to today's graduation ceremony, and congratulate all our graduands on their success.

A graduation ceremony is a rite of passage which marks a significant milestone in your life. It celebrates the hard work and dedication you have invested in your programme of study and allows you to feel great pride in your achievements. I hope that you will enjoy your day and remember it for many years to come. You have now joined a growing community of Arden University alumni, a community which I hope you will take great pride in being a part of. I am proud to be associated with Arden University and the values it stands for.

We believe there is no single right path to a university education. Rather, there are many available routes for access, whatever your background or circumstances may be. Where you finish is much more important than where you start, and Arden University is here to support you on your journey.

I hope that today marks the beginning of a new phase in your life and career, and I look forward to hearing about all your successes in the future. But for now, my warmest congratulations to you all.

Professor Ann Tate C.B.E
Chair of the Board

About Arden University

At Arden, we passionately believe that everyone, everywhere has an equal right to education. We strive to remove the barriers created by location, cost, time, and other life commitments, to give ambitious people like you the opportunity to access the life-changing rewards of a university degree.



Since the granting of our university status in 2015, we've worked hard to do things differently. We recognise that your degree needs to fully prepare you for current and future workplace developments and the expectations of employers, to create a better world for everyone.

With study centres across the UK and Germany, as well as our provision of online degree courses studied by students across five continents, many of whom have travelled to join us here today, we've made it possible for people from all backgrounds to take control of their futures.

As active champions of equality, diversity, and inclusion, we believe that higher education is a force for both social and economic change. We are proud that you have chosen Arden University to be a part of your life journey.

Ceremonial order

*Please stand for the incoming and outgoing processions.
For the remainder of the ceremony, we would appreciate it if you remain seated.*

Procession of the Platform Party

Music – 'Trumpet Voluntary' (Clarke)

Opening of the Ceremony - Provost – Professor Dr Yang (Lucy) Lu

Welcome Address – Professor Ann Tate C.B.E., Chair of Board of Directors

Student Speaker – Dace Rozina, Student President

Afternoon ceremony only - featuring a poem read by one of today's graduates

Presentation of Graduates and Prizes

Presentation of Honorary Graduates and Acceptance Address

Presentation of Graduates and Prizes

Closing of the Ceremony

Professor Victoria O'Donnell - Pro-Vice Chancellor, Academic & deputy Provost - Morning ceremony

Debra Hind - Associate Pro-Vice Chancellor, Partnerships - Afternoon Ceremony

Recession of the Platform Party

Music – 'We are the Champions' (Queen)

The duration of the ceremony will be approximately 90 minutes

Alumni reception

Graduates and their guests are invited to attend a drinks reception in the Lecture Hall and Library on the ground floor to celebrate your achievements.

The Alumni reception will last approximately 1 hour.

Please ensure all hired graduation gowns and hoods are returned to the return desk in the corner of the Lecture Hall and Library by the end of the reception.

Refreshments – Please do not eat or drink during the ceremony and please take all litter with you.

Photography and mobile telephones - Please do not move from your seats to take photographs or video recordings during the ceremony. Please also ensure that your mobile telephones are switched off for the duration of the ceremony.

Applause – You are invited to applaud the presentation of the graduates to recognise their hard work and achievement and to celebrate their success.

Health and Safety – In the event of an emergency, please stay seated until directed otherwise.



About Central Hall Westminster

The wonderful location in which we're joining each other for today's graduation ceremony is Central Hall Westminster, a Grade II listed building which we hope you'll agree is a fitting location to celebrate your academic achievements.

Originally opened in 1912 as a space for worship, concerts, and public and private events, Central Hall Westminster is one of the capital's most culturally significant venues. Over the years it has welcomed many noteworthy public figures through its doors, including Martin Luther King, Mahatma Gandhi, and King Charles III, and was also the location of the Inaugural Meeting of the United Nations in 1946.

The Great Hall's breathtaking grand organ, which you'll see located behind the stage as you await your graduation moment, features 4,731 pipes; and don't forget to look up – the spectacular self-supporting domed roof above you is the largest of its type in Europe.

We hope that attending your graduation day in such a beautiful setting will create memories that last a lifetime.

List of graduates:
June 27th, morning ceremony

Faculty of Learning and Teaching

School of Digital Education

Postgraduate Certificate Digital Pedagogies and Practices

Victor Cesar Vargas

Da Silveira Cunha Cruz

Paul Moses*

**Arden Achiever School of Digital Education*

Faculty of Social Sciences

School of Criminal Justice

Bachelor of Arts with Honours Criminal Justice

Christopher Nyuma

Bachelor of Arts with Honours Criminology and Psychology

Maleaka Armstrong

Ana Sofia Borges

Natalie Louise Conway

Claudia Dawkins-Wright

Hollie Gill

Catherine Grundy*

**Arden Achiever School of Criminal Justice*

Latreece Harvey

Saieed Hussain

Feyrus Hussein

Syeda Johra

Rebecca Jordan

Justene Lawrence

Charity Wallace Moyo

Shenai Murray

Josefa Maria Pancorbo Robles

Innocent Ugo

Thompson Charles Ikediashi Wayas

Olivia Wildman

Bachelor of Arts with Honours Criminology and Sociology

Tayla Jade Read

Bachelor of Arts with Honours Law and Psychology

Petal Kelly

Bachelor of Law with Honours

Rayan Al Dilemee

Amy Bailey-Christian

Alia Bakhait

Marcion Benjamin

Marjorie Burnett

Nikita Chhibba

Wendell Cole

Levi Ezekiel

Yvette Francis

Azizul Haque

Sajid Mahmood Hussain

Shamsa Irfan

Kanchan Kerung

Abimbola Ladipo

Christina Mahboob

Marco Paulo Duarte Marques

Shirmain Massicot

Nathan Matthews

Taiwo Ogunjobi

Osita Okafor

Michael Pepple

Rebecca Louise Reynolds

**Dean's Prize winner - Faculty of Social Sciences*

Mohammad Nasir Uddin

Lauren Anne Westwell*

**Arden Achiever School of Law*

Lena Mary Yussuf

School of Psychology

Bachelor of Science with Honours Psychology

Abdulhamza Rajooj Hmood Alameri*

**Arden Achiever School of Psychology*

Sara Ali

Marie-Christine Becker

Fathima Fazla Hameem

Masters of Science Psychology

Huretha Johanna Carmody

Natalie Ann Carter

Cherai Douglas

Juliette Gillard

Lauren Forbes

Jasmine Jones

Rachael Leggatt

Jessica Osbourn

Lubna Sabir

Rebecca Spriggs

Megan Thomas

Mariama Tounkara

Viera Wallace

Loveline Ntoh Besong (Posthumous)

Faculty of STEM

School of Design & Creativity

Bachelor of Arts with Honours Graphic Design

Claire Elizabeth O'Brien

School of Computing

Bachelor of Science with Honours Computing with Foundation Year

Nyasha Chirenje

Desline Faux

James Steven Fletcher

Philip Imosemi-Unuigbo

Hussein Ahmed Khalif

Mirko Mastrangelo

Edwige Majoie Ngo Mbog

Bachelor of Science with Honours Computing

Ahmed Moawia Abdalla

Babatunde Alagago

Syed Anwer

Amina Asif

Martina Baldacchino

Emmanuel Edu

Matthew George*

**Arden Achiever School of Computing*

Qasir Khan

Ahson Malak

Stevie-Jade Mills

Damian Mucha

Sahira Parveen

Rytis Petkevičius

Asma Tanveer

Jevon Teka

Samuel Urgessa

Daniel Walsh

Masters of Science Data Analytics and Project Management

David Bell

Natalie Ava Fletcher

Yamuna Khoodeeram*

**Dean's Prize winner - Faculty of STEM*

Vershley Thaav Joyejob

Nathaniel Thomas

Masters of Science Data Analytics and Enterprise Architecture Management

Peter Bradley Hendrik Verster

Masters of Science Data Analytics and Information Systems

Hanna Melisew Belay

Chijinwa Jacob

Masters of Science Enterprise Architecture Management

Steven Marsh*

**Arden Achiever School of Computing*

Francis Del Rosario Uy

Masters of Science IT Security Management

Daniel Randy Azumah

John Garikai

Kwasi Obeng Sasu

Nicolette Leigh Seyffert

Masters of Science Strategic IT Management

Jacques Du Plessis

Fidelis Mwaka Muia

Donnette O'Neil

Masters of Science Telecommunications Management

Mike Antonius

Michael James

Faculty of Business

School of Human Resource Management

Masters of Arts

Human Resource Management

Helen Doyle

Stephanie Keeley

Sara Santos E Silva Pereira Martins

Goodness Ifeoma Osuagwu

Chandrika Perera

Jade Robbins*

**Arden Achiever School of HRM*

School of Digital Marketing and Sales

Masters of Science Data Analytics and Marketing

Morgan Donku

Leslie Mawete Kimona

Elvis Onyango

School of Project Management and Supply Chain & Logistics

Masters of Science Engineering Management

Louis Anyaduba

Sayantani Khan

Ahmed Musah

Dominique D'antuon Rigby

Masters of Science Project Management

Mastorah Helal Alotaibi

Olusola Adebanke Baiyewu

Oluwamayokun Emmanuel

Bode-Smith

Rosalia Patricia Monteiro Da Silva Sa

Samantha Day

Cemene Fraser

Shereece Kaneza Glasgow

Arjun Kandhacharramappa Janardhana

Nii Sai Obodai

Daniel Eduardo Padilla Oyuela

Louise Maria Pisani

Marek Pisula

Zainab Kabir Rabi

Radoslaw Sadowski

Castro Sefah-Wiedmaier

Mario Vitabile

School of Leadership and Management

Chartered Manager Degree Bachelor of Arts with Honours Business Management Apprenticeship

Sally Bracey

Masters of Business Administration

Khalid Anjum

Ashish Arora

Hanoch Augustin

Marie Joelle Valentina Chutoo

Mumuni Dagazau

Christiana Chinyere Ekeagwu

Sarah B.H Ellis

Harjit Kaur

Lavpreet Kaur

Harshdeep Kaur

Viney Malik

Nisha Nisha

Aleena Odathakal

Oluwatoyin Olatunde

Devendra Brahmdev Pandey

Harika Patel

Muhammad Azeem Sajid Raja

Ericson Robinson

Syed Ahsan Saeed

Anand Singh

Daljeet Singh

Akashdeep Singh

Sourabh Sourabh

Simon Baalwa Terwane

Senior Leader Masters Degree Masters of Business Administration Apprenticeship

Rebecca Donovan

Fiona Hawkesley

Sarah James

Johanna Jewell

Mathew Alan Love*

**Winner of Katie Aubrey Award*

Ian Taylor

Sharon Thorne

Clara Aymerich Vidal

Michelle Walker

Eleanor West

Donna Wilson

List of graduates:
June 27th, afternoon ceremony

Faculty of Business

School of Leadership and Management

Bachelor of Arts with Honours Business with Foundation Year

Comfort Erdoo Akiga
Sobrina Samantha Anderson
Amani Afreen
Joseph Dokwani
Laura Rebecca Faux
Patrick Gore
Jenusan Jeyarajah
Jonathan Bobby Masevo
Moses Chineme Ndubueze
Kailash Ramruttun
George Tembo*
**Arden Achiever School of Leadership and Management*
Timea Ibolya Timar

Bachelor of Arts with Honours Business

Ria Adekunle
Junaid Afzaal
Elena Agafitei
Zuvear Ahmed
Ramia Ali
Muhammad Umer Amir
Gabriela Angheluta
Anzhela Georgieva Apostolova
Ali Arfan
Violeta Balsyte
Kara Louise Barratt
Plamena Bedacheva
Nasrin Begum
Antonia Borislavova
Teofil Boros
Valentina Dinu
Gabriela-Madalina Dobrica
Chloe Douglas
Nathalie Francis
**Winner of The Dean's Prize*
Faculty of Business
Alexandra Ghosh
Md Altaf Hossain

Shereen Hylton
Maryam Inam
Herman Jaramillo Hoyos
Masum Kazi
Ralitsa Kindalova
Angelika Klimek
Jasna Martins
Kazeem Oganla
Anuradha Paul
Uzair Qayyum
Rana Shirin Rahman
Amman Rauli
Mohammed Razwan
Roxana Rosu
Giorgia Andrea Ruiu
Ramzi Saba
Huzaifa Shahzad
Stanimir Petkov Stoyanov
Hira Batool Syed
Aizaz Tarar
Calin Toc
Nicolas Kobangazoni Tongo
Djene Cisse Tounkara
Laura Bianca Valica
Yana Vardarova
Janaki Yasotharan

Bachelor of Arts with Honours Business Finance

Elena Naydenova
Claire Redford
Abdirahman Yussuf

Bachelor of Arts with Honours Business Human Resource Management

Sandra Meng

Bachelor of Arts with Honours Business Marketing

Muhammad Bilal Bahlol
Nikki Crook
Camilla Fabbriozio
Joana Kofie

Bachelor of Arts with Honours Business Tourism

Sophie Haddock

Chartered Manager Degree Bachelor of Arts with Honours Business Management Apprenticeship

Victoria Borg
Martin Carroll
Katrina Ann Strak

Bachelor of Arts with Honours HRM and Psychology

Grace Eid
Patricia Ionescu

School of Health and Care Management

Bachelor of Arts with Honours Healthcare Management with Foundation Year

Omoronike Saidat Abiodun
Betty Addo
Ajibola Mojisola Adedoyin
Sara Saleem Al-Ghafari
Joseph Anowie
Sakina Antwi
Achagba Mattah Attah
Lily Ayim
Rhonda Anne Beattie
Sharon Chibisa
Flonajay Chisholm
Eva Clement
Sarah Jessica Egerton
Maria Lucia De Gouveia Gomes El Asbihani
Tamador Gafar
Azeb Desta Haile-Michael
Elizabeth Wanjiku Henya
Yetunde Idowu
Monday Ashley Igbinomwanhia
Henry Ikechukwu Iwu
Esther Kwamena
Iyabode Lawson
Marilyn Jariatu Mahoi
Adama Mansaray
Rahma Issa Mohamed
Indira Maria Newell*
**Arden Achiever School of Health Care Management*
Bosede Biodun Yeside Obe
Chioma Odiakaose

Dorcas Adebimpe Oluleye
Leroy George Parkes
Beulah Parks
Tori Rae Roberts
Abla Senu
Samvina Maryline Fatima Taylor
Sabnam Ullah
Zita Unichi
Charlene Caroline Wilson
Laura Wilson

**Bachelor of Arts with Honours
Healthcare Management**

Afia Achiaa
Rasidi Ayinde Adebayo
Henna Aden
Vicky Aggrey-Amoah
Julie Agricole
Bulon Ahmed
Alarape Oludare Alli
Friday Aisabor Amiendamhen
Helen Onome Andrew
Vera Anegeku
Muna Aweis
Sonia Brown
Melissa Darko Brown
Evet Cummings
Macivan Davies
Stephanie Aminu Ehioze
Vivian Ekhaton
Olatundun Fakorede
Dania Fernandes
Julie Festus
Henrietta Gbormittah
Elsie Tina Hamenya
Omobolanle Adetoun Hassan
Kerris Hill
Wesley Idehen Idehen
Deborah Uchechukwu Johnson
Jersel Jones
Bridget Ballay Kargbo
Muna Lama
Abiodun Lawal
Shapenga Likuluta
Deborah Macaulay
Patricia Moffatt
Nahid Mohamed
Angela Navo
Awa Njie
Myesha Fatima Noor
Josephine Okatchy
Omoyemi Adeyinka Ononuga

Juliet Orelaja
Ebuwa Osazuwa
Ghina Oudeh
Kanyinsola Ruth Owoyemi
Naomi Passman
Natasha Pratt
Neha Rashid
Abimbola Izere Salami
Hailes Seraphin
Badi Angeline Sery
Divya Shrestha
Ernestina Takyiwaa
Rebecca Telahun
Cassandra Wilhelmina Patricia Tucker
Josabe Uuspold
Mark Valentine
Claire Rimmer (Posthumous)

School of Digital Finance

**Bachelor of Science with Honours
Accounting and Finance**

Rebeka Angus
Sarah Dunsmore
Adriana Hazel
Lameck Mutesasira
Indhresen Naidoo
Simran Yogesh Punjwani
Abdur Raqib
Bethlehem Yilma

Faculty of Social Sciences

School of Psychology

Masters of Science Psychology

Stacey Louise Perkins
Lauren Wilkinson

Prize winners

Best Performing Undergraduate Student

Awarded to the undergraduate student with the highest classification mark across the university.

Shipu Miah

Arden Achiever Undergraduate

Awarded to the undergraduate student with the highest classification mark across a School.

Leadership and Management

George Tembo

Health and Care Management

Indira Maria Newell

Digital Finance

Sarah Shahzeb

Computing

Matthew George

Psychology

Abdulhamza Rajooj Hmood Alameri

Criminal Justice

Catherine Grundy

Law

Lauren Anne Westwell

Best Performing Postgraduate Student

Awarded to the postgraduate student with the highest classification mark across the university.

Meerab Shahid

Arden Achiever Postgraduate

Awarded to the postgraduate student with the highest classification mark across a School.

Human Resource Management

Jade Robbins

Computing

Steven Marsh

Psychology

Galina Gardiner

Digital Education

Paul Moses

Project Management and Supply Chain & Logistics

Sidra Sarfraz Khan Sipra

Dean's Prize

Arden University presents this award to a student who had to overcome significant challenges to pursue higher education.

Nathalie Francis Faculty of Business

Yamuna Devi Khoodeeram Faculty of STEM

Rebecca Louise Reynolds Faculty of Social Sciences

Katie Aubrey Award

This award is made in memory of Katie Aubrey, a long-standing member of Arden staff who passed away suddenly in 2019. The award is presented to a student who has had to overcome personal challenges while achieving success

Mathew Alan Love

**A warm congratulations
to all of our award winners**





Awards of Advance HE Fellowships

We are delighted to announce that the following staff members have been awarded HEA fellowship in 2022-23. Staff receiving HEA fellowship have been found, through a rigorous external assessment, to have clearly demonstrated their commitment to high quality teaching and learning, to the values of inclusivity, scholarship and participation that underpin their practice, and to giving students an exceptional experience through their teaching or leadership.

Arden University supports colleagues to apply to Advance HE for three categories of Fellowship. The following applicants have successfully been found to meet the criteria for Fellowship, Senior Fellowship and Principal Fellowship.

Fellowship of the Higher Education Academy (FHEA)

Emma Wilson

Sam Barnes

Keith Wong

Sharon Buckland

Kerrie Wynn

Olu Osaloni

Trudy Waterton-Duly

Nicola Bentham

Shamsun Choudhury

Shannon DeBlasio

Senior Fellowship of the Higher Education Academy (SFHEA)

Harriet Jones

Leanne Rowlands

Stephanie West

Janet Baker

Principle Fellowship of the Higher Education Academy (PFHEA)

Gail Steptoe-Warren

Taking Arden with you after graduation

We asked some of our alumni to reflect on their time at Arden University and tell us about their visions for the future.

Elisa

Arden University alumni,
MSc Human Resource Management



Everyone at Arden has been really helpful, and studying online was great for balancing work and homelife.

I'm hoping this degree takes me in a different direction at work, which I can see is already happening with some changes and things that I'm able to get involved in because of my Arden degree.

Toddles

Arden University Alumni, BSc (Hons) Health and Care Management
Kate Aubrey award winner 2022



I'm a nurse by profession, so I wanted to upgrade myself by doing some sort of Leadership/ Management course. I was referred to Arden by another student, so I read about it, and it seemed to be exactly what I wanted. I am now in a leadership position and the Health and Care Management course has led me to that.

Since graduating, I've got a sister position in my hospital and I was able to say that I have just graduated, I've just got a first-class honours. They were amazed. They loved it.

Michelle

Arden University alumni, Senior Leaders Masters Degree (MBA)
Vice-Chancellor's award winner 2022



I'm a HR director for West Ham football club, where I've been working for eight years. My Arden MBA has helped me get a non-executive director role at another organisation at board level. So, I'm able to understand how an organisation works, and then impart my knowledge and share that with an organisation. Now career aspirations are to go to that next level, which for me is to be a Chief People Officer.

My degree has definitely given me that confidence and that knowledge base to go out there and seek it.

Hesham

Arden University Alumni, MSc in Data Analytics and
Enterprise Architecture Management



I enjoyed every moment of my time studying at Arden. I enjoyed collaborating with my classmates and we had a good way of engaging together. I balanced my time working and my family time with studying, and the online learning platform does fit with the new culture and new rhythms of life.

I work in the business intelligence industry and was looking very hard to find a university that would fit with my working needs, my family needs, and give me the end goal I'm trying to achieve.

The Arden Graduate Grove

In partnership with



Arden University has committed to plant a tree for each of our graduates. In this endeavour we work closely with our chosen partner Ecologi, a passionate community of over 19,000 SMEs and 40,000 members that empowers businesses to accelerate global action on climate and nature.

Since launching the Graduate Grove in 2021, Arden University has planted more than 3,500 trees on behalf of our graduates. This year, the Grove will increase by 1,013 trees which will be planted in honour of our 2023 graduates.

When will your tree be planted?

We aim to have each tree planted within a year of donation. Once we have planted your tree, we will be able to give you a grid reference for its location.



We believe that education should be long-lasting, providing huge benefits for our students and their families long after they graduate. As a result, we hope that, just like the trees in our Graduate Grove, the knowledge and skills you have gained through your education with us continue to grow long after you have completed your studies.

You can learn more about Ecologi and their action on climate change by visiting ecologi.com

The history of the ceremonial mace

The tradition of the mace derives from medieval times in England when the mace was held by a bodyguard for dignitaries at ceremonial functions.

As an ancient symbol of authority, it reminds us that universities are custodians of both enduring traditions in learning and of the power they bestow upon those who come to learn.

The mace has become a symbol of authority and character of the institution and is carried at the head of the robed academic procession, followed by academic staff from the schools and faculties whose students are to be presented.



About the Arden University mace

Our beautiful mace was designed by Arden University Graphic Design student Jemma Lee Loppnow and crafted by the world-famous silversmiths Thomas Fattorini Ltd in Birmingham, England.

The creative and modern design represents a modern university and is symbolic of Arden University's proud history and values.

The symbolic Arden 'A' is held by supporting hands and the bird holding the scroll in its beak represents offering education to all. The globe at the bottom of the staff represents opportunities for a higher education around the world.



Please scan the QR code to watch an interview with Jemma and the making of the mace.

About today's mace bearers



George Rustean

George Rustean is a Data Engineer in the Data Warehousing Team, having joined Arden University in early May 2021. George has been primarily supporting our existing Data Warehouse, and is now currently involved in the development of the new Data Warehouse solution to support our SITS Project. This is George's first venture into the Higher Education industry and he is very excited to be part of Arden's exponential growth.

Outside of work, George has a wife and together they love travelling to other countries whenever possible. They also have a young Yorkiepoo puppy who is the centre of their world.

"I consider myself to be very lucky and honoured to have the opportunity to carry the mace on this, your graduation day. It marks the culmination of one chapter of your student journey, and hopefully opens the next."



Fay Vavan

Fay is a People Business Partner at Arden University and has worked with us for 5 years. With over 15 years of experience in the industry, Fay has established herself as a knowledgeable and trusted advisor to her colleagues and stakeholders alike.

In her role as People Business Partner at Arden, Fay is involved in the development and implementation of the university's strategic plans and initiatives. She works closely with other senior leaders to ensure that Arden remains at the forefront of innovation in the education sector.

Overall, Fay is a respected and accomplished business partner, whose expertise and experience have been invaluable to Arden University's success.

"Being a mace bearer for Arden University is like being a guardian of knowledge, entrusted with the responsibility of upholding the values and traditions of our prestigious institution. As I carry the mace, I will feel a deep sense of pride in representing the academic excellence and intellectual rigour that define Arden's identity. It's an honour that fills me with a sense of purpose and belonging, and reminds me that I am a part of something truly extraordinary"

Professor Sir Tim Wilson

Known for his expertise in the areas of industrial strategy and policy, innovation, and university-business collaboration, Professor Sir Tim Wilson is a distinguished British academic and economist. He is being awarded an Honorary Doctorate this year in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the development of Arden University.

Professor Sir Tim has held many academic positions including Vice Chancellor at the University of Hertfordshire and Senior Independent Director of The University of Law.

In addition to his university positions, he has also held many non-executive board positions in government agencies, industry advisory boards, in charities, and in public and private companies, both in the United Kingdom and internationally.

With a specific focus on the role of innovation and technology in driving economic growth, Professor Sir Tim has been a prolific researcher, writer and influencer throughout his career.



He is known for his strong advocacy of the role that higher education makes to our economy and society; he was considered a “disruptive influence” amongst university leaders during his tenure.

Professor Sir Tim has played a crucial part in shaping public policy. He was commissioned by the UK government to review University-Business Collaboration and published the influential Wilson Review in 2012; a report recognised as a milestone in creating the close relationship that we now see between many UK universities and UK business today.

Professor Sir Tim was awarded a Knighthood for Services to Universities and to Business by the Late Queen Elizabeth II in her 2011 New Years Honours list.

Today, in addition to these achievements, we honour him for his three years as Chair of Arden University (2016-19); a transformational period that created the foundations for today's thriving University.

Anju Solanki

Anju is the Founder of MEA Consulting Group, a thought leading diversity and inclusion consultancy, aimed to create inclusive workplaces where underrepresented groups can thrive. Anju has cultivated innovative and thought-provoking training and advisory for some of the world's leading and aspirational organisations. Her work has involved working with the government, charities, corporates and schools. During her time, she has helped to create world leading diversity, equity, inclusion experiences using virtual reality, which has since been rolled out to the NHS and other leading establishments.

Prior to founding MEA, Anju had a successful career in Investment Banking for 12 years, working at Citigroup, Barclays and Lloyds building a commendable track record on the trading floor, and creating a network of international clients. Having experienced invisible barriers underrepresented groups face first hand, she became immensely passionate about driving change for the future generations, so they can enter workplaces which value their individual differences. Her passion was further augmented when she became a mother.



Anju has been a Business Mentor for the Cherie Blair Foundation for Women. She was recently appointed on the Advisory board for Everything In Sport Women's Edition 2023 at Tottenham Hotspurs Stadium. Anju has been featured in Forbes, BBC, Good Morning Britain and The Guardian.

Anju aspires for her daughter to grow up into a world in which organisations embrace female talent at all stages of a woman's life. She wants her son to grow up and become an ally to people from underrepresented groups.

Anju has three sisters and was raised singly by her mother who dedicated her life to raising her four daughters, yet also achieved three universities degrees and worked all hours to support their dreams.



Arden University Students' Association

The Arden University Students' Association, launched in December 2021, aims to help Arden students feel part of a university-wide community during their time studying with us. Managed by our current elected student president Dace Rozina, the association works to increase opportunities for student participation through student-led projects. These include a range of inclusive academic and social virtual communities, clubs, and societies, as well as providing better access to research and publication opportunities for all students through a student-managed academic journal. **The aims of the Students' Association align with our SMART values:**

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Supportive: the Arden University Students' Association is here for you and will always place our students' best interests at heart.

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Measurable: our progress will be accountable, with regular updates from the Students' Association Board via our Student Representative Network.

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Approachable: our Student Representative Network will be both easily identifiable and friendly.

R

Representative: listening to you, taking action, and implementing change and seeing students as partners.

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Transparent: the Arden University Students' Association aims to keep the student body updated on all our initiatives, with regular updates from the Student Representative Network and the Students' Association President.



Dace Rozina
Arden's President
of the Students'
Association

Dace Rozina is the Student Association President for 2022/23 and is currently pursuing a BA (Hons) Business at Arden University.

Dace's country of origin is Latvia, and she started her academic working career as a Student Event Organiser whilst studying a Level 7 NVQ Veterinary doctor course at Veterinary University in Smiltene, Latvia.

Soon after beginning her studies at St. Patrick's college in the UK, Dace started her journey as Group Representative and Student Council Event Organiser, and also worked as Student Council President before graduating with a HND in Business.

Being President of the Student Association is important to Dace because she is passionate for students to have a voice, and to contribute towards the university being the best place it can be for current and future students.

When Dace is not working on the presidential tenure or her studies, her main hobby is dog agility sport as well as helping people with their dogs' behaviours and gardening.

If you'd like to get in touch, feel free to email us at studentpresident@ardenuniversity.ac.uk with any questions or feedback about your time at Arden University.



Welcome to the Arden Alumni Community

We are excited to have recently launched our Alumni Community. This initiative has been established to keep graduates like you involved, informed, and engaged in all things Arden, even long after you've finished your studies.

By joining the Arden Alumni Community, you can gain access to:

- **Career development advice and guidance from Arden Alumni Careers Team.**
- **Opportunities to volunteer your time to 'give back' to the university community - as well as to other students and graduates - through sharing your own experiences and providing valuable career insights (including activities such as guest webinars, speaker sessions, mentoring and work experience opportunities).**

We look forward to growing and building our community with you, and for you.

You can read more about getting involved with the community by visiting our dedicated blog page. Simply scan the QR code here:



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Accessing Alumni Careers

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